

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This invention relates to an image forming apparatus that has a high degree of flexibility in the display form of the operation panel. An image forming apparatus of this invention includes an operation display section which has a transparent touch panel superposed on the display screen of a display section, can input an operation instruction by pressing a transparent touch panel portion corresponding to an operation instruction item character group displayed on the display screen, and is associated with the main body of the image forming apparatus. The apparatus further includes an operation display control section which controls the operation display section to display, on the display screen, selection items to decide the display size of the operation instruction item character group or each operation button on the display screen and display the operation instruction item character group or each operation button in the display size decided by selecting a selection item.